

"The Bible in Christian Growth," and Samuel Lichty gave reasons why all should study God's word.

Sunday morning Rev. Talley preached an able sermon on the great need for Christian people to make sacrifices for the cause of Christ. He urged that what we need in this age is the spirit of Abraham. So we will place on the altar our dear children and what is even more precious to us than life itself. He said that so long as we give only our surplus, and what can easily be spared, we are not doing a great deal. God can use sacrifice only to the best advantage.

Sunday afternoon Dr. Mathers delivered an address on "The power of Prayer," and later in the session read a very able paper on "True Repentance."

Sunday afternoon Mr. Talley was called to Colorado on account of the serious illness of his aged mother, and hopes to return to-day. Rev. W. J. Bauman, of Morrill, arrived Monday and took up Mr. Talley's place. He addressed the meeting on "Holy Ghost Baptism," and took an active part in all the sessions.

Rev. Bauman preached in this vicinity in past years, and always receives a warm reception here.

On Monday Rev. D. C. Smith greatly pleased the conference with a paper on "The Bible as a Factor in Present Day Religion." He showed many conclusive reasons that it is growing in popularity, and also indicated a few places where it was in the decline. He regretted that it was read less in the public schools than formerly. He believed "this age of steam and hurry up," was reducing family worship and closing many family altars. Mrs. Ellen Lichty read a paper on "Women and Home Missions." All agreed that in this age, woman is a mighty power in all church work. Michael Lichty spoke on "The Christian Joy," which drew out many responses. All papers and addresses are discussed by the audience.

The query box is a great source edification and many are the questions asked and answered.

Tuesday evening was temperance session. The discussion was opened by S. Lichty and he was followed by many others. There was no lack of enthusiasm, and it closed at a late hour, as one of the warmest meetings of the series. The very radical temperance resolutions adopted at the recent national conference of the Brethren church at Winona Lake, Indiana, was read and commented upon.

Many from other churches attended the meetings, as well as some that are not members of any church. All seemed to enjoy themselves.

A similar conference will be held at the Brethren church at Hamlin next week and at Poney Creek church the week following.

#### Covele, Calif.

I have just returned to my work in the Round Valley Indian School from a vacation of thirty days spent in Southern California.

While in the south I visited the Perris Indian School and many other places of interest to me; but no time was spent more pleasantly than the couple days spent with members at Lordsburg and I feel like speaking of it thru the EVANGELIST.

The church at Lordsburg is yet a new church and when Bro. Schisler commenced preaching there a little over a year ago Sister Dubel was the only member; but now there is a flourishing little church of about sixty members. The new church building will soon be completed and they can then better accommodate the people who now crowd the little hall which they use. Brother and Sister Schisler are working hard and are just the ones for the place; the Sunday School and Y. P. S.-C. E. show that all are much interested.

On Sunday evening the house was full to listen to a sermon, with blackboard illustrations, on: "Whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted." It was made so plain that none could but understand and I believe each one left the house with a

determination to try harder to be among those who "Shall be exalted."

I would say to any members who have the pleasure of visiting Southern California visit Lordsburg. They will be glad to see you and it will do you good.—ANNIE I. GARBER.

#### Report of the Missionary State Conference

The thirteenth Annual Conference of the state of Michigan convened at the Campbell church, October 3, 1901.

Opening services, and prayer led by Walter Clark. Address of welcome by George Clum. Response, Walter Clark.

The chair appointed J. H. English, J. G. Winey and F. T. Wolf a committee on committees which made the following report: Credentials: Geo. Haney, Samuel Mote. Program: Walter Clark, F. T. Wolf and George Clum. Executive, J. D. Solomon, Samuel Rice and W. D. Bowers. Resolutions: Phebe A. Darley, Clara Monroe and Mary English. Delegates enrolled: New Troy,—John English and Mary English. Bethel,—Walter Clark and F. T. Wolf. Campbell,—J. G. Winey, Phebe A. Darley, George Clum and Jacob Rench. Sunfield,—Brother Smith. The report was accepted.

Church Government—What is it and should it be rigidly enforced? Its results. George Clum and J. H. English. This Conference decides that if each church and each individual will obey the gospel of Christ there will be no erring ones; it will be all Christians or Publicans and sinners.

Conference.—Their Benefit to the Church. They are a great benefit to the churches in bringing the members together if in no other way.

Individual Responsibility for the Conversion of the World. This conference decides that we are individually responsible for the salvation of the world.

The Necessity of Having a Weekly Prayer Meeting. The Conference decides that it is a necessity in every organized church.

Is it Advisable to Revise Church Books, if so How Often? It is the sense of this Conference that it is advisable to revise the books once a year.

FRIDAY P. M.

Devotional services by Phebe A. Darley.

Miscellaneous business: Election of officers. The following were elected: President, J. G. Winey; Vice Chairman, George Clum; Secretary and Treasurer, Walter Clark. It was decided that the secretary should act as the treasurer of the mission board. Walter Clark was elected State Evangelist.

WALTER CLARK, Sec.

# Hot Rolls, hot muffins, hot cakes, made with Royal Baking Powder may be freely eaten without fear of indigestion.

#### Glenford, Ohio

I am glad to report the organization of another church to be added to Ohio's list. For two years I have watched this particular field and kept in touch with them. About the first of the month I received word that everything was now very favorable, to come over and in all probability we could organize. Not having done any preaching myself for some time, and thinking it best that two go at once, after considerable effort and some peculiar experiences, Brother Witter and I met at the very pleasant home of brother Almer Heglers who kindly took care of us. We reached Elmville on Thursday Oct. 10. Friday and Saturday were spent visiting. Brother Witter preaching in the evenings, also Sunday morning and evening. On Monday evening after preaching Brother Witter started for home thinking it impossible to stay longer.

On Tuesday at 10 A. M. we met in business session. After reading numerous passages of scripture and a free and full discussion of all points involved we organized a Brethren church. It will be known as the Old Ridge Brethren church. The old building that was used for many years was replaced about two years ago by a nice neat modern structure. The people are very friendly and sociable and we had a very pleasant week with them. Brother Witter's sermons were much appreciated and people were anxious to hear him. Many came out to services that had not attended for years. They felt that the things that had been in their way to successful work would be removed. They are anxious to push forward.

It was impossible for all to be at the business meeting, so the deacons were instructed to complete the enrollment of names which will give them a membership that will exceed eighty.

On my return home I stopped with Brother Homes of Columbus and found them busy looking after the Sunday school interests in the city. The work there looks very hopeful to me.

C. E. DEFFENBAUGH.

#### Farewell to Pittsburg

We closed our work at Pittsburg Pa., on Sunday evening, October 13th. and with a sad heart, we said "farewell" to our many friends.

The Last Week:—was a very busy one. Tuesday evening, a social held by the young people, for the pastor, and on Sunday evening, they presented me with an envelope of money, as an expression of their love. Wednesday evening, we baptized four, after which the quarterly business meeting of the church was held. Here it was a sad